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Executive Order 2006-10

To Provide Moneys From The Health Crisis Fund To Help Control Coccidiodomycosis ("Valley Fever") Outbreak

[M06-334]

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-797, the Legislature has established the Health Crisis Fund authorizing the Governor to approve specific liabilities and expenditures in order to respond to a health crisis or a significant potential for a health crisis; and

WHEREAS, Coccidiodomycosis (aka "Valley Fever"), caused by fungal spores that exist primarily in the southwestern desert soils, is highly prevalent in Arizona and can have severe outcomes including death; and

WHEREAS, the number of Valley Fever cases in Arizona, which has steadily increased since at least 1997, spiked sharply in 2006 with over 2,000 cases already reported (compared to a five-year median of 817 over the same period); and

WHEREAS, recent studies by the Arizona Department of Health Services, the Centers For Disease Control and Prevention, and the Valley Fever Center for Excellence have found that a high percentage of community acquired pneumonia (CAP) cases in Arizona are actually caused by Valley Fever; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of CAP patients are never tested or treated for Valley Fever, which contributes to Valley Fever being greatly underreported by Arizona physicians and the public health system having inadequate knowledge of the full scope of the outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the public health threat posed by Valley Fever can be reduced through intensive efforts to educate Arizona healthcare providers on identifying, treating, and reporting cases of Valley Fever; and

WHEREAS, efforts to control Valley Fever are neither a contingency nor an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 35-192 because they require neither state-municipal resource coordination nor Department of Emergency and Military Affairs assistance;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Arizona Constitution and the laws of the State, declare a significant potential for a health crisis in this State from the Valley Fever outbreak and hereby order as follows:

- 1. The Health Crisis Fund, as established pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-797, is authorized to transfer the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to the Department of Health Services for use in combating the outbreak of Valley Fever in Arizona.
- 2. The Department of Health services shall expend all moneys transferred pursuant to this Order on measures to reduce the spread and threat posed by Valley Fever in Arizona and shall report to the Legislature and the Governor by December 31, 2006 on the expenditures of all sums so transferred.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

Janet Napolitano G O V E R N O R

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DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 26th day of June in the Year Two Thousand and Six and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirtieth.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer SECRETARY OF STATE

Executive Order 2006-11

To Provide Moneys From The Health Crisis Fund To Help Control Emerging Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever Infections

[M06-335]

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-797, the Legislature has established the Health Crisis Fund authorizing the Governor to approve specific liabilities and expenditures in order to respond to a health crisis or a significant potential for a health crisis; and

WHEREAS, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever is a severe and potentially lethal disease that has caused deaths of children in Arizona in 2003, 2004, and 2005; and

WHEREAS, the number of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever cases has increased considerably in the last few years, including an outbreak in the White Mountain region of the state that affected Native American tribes in the region; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have concluded that the threat posed by Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever is expected to increase and expand to other areas because of severe tick infestations in the affected areas and the number of stray dogs in the area that contribute to spreading the vector ticks; and

WHEREAS, the public health threat posed by Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever can be reduced through joint efforts with tribal and federal agencies to implement response plans and to increase public awareness on tick control practices, the role of dogs in spreading ticks that transmit the disease, and prevention of tick bites; and

WHEREAS, efforts to control Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever are neither a contingency nor an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 35-192 do not they require state-municipal resource coordination nor Department of Emergency and Military Affairs assistance;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Arizona Constitution and the laws of the State, declare a significant potential for a health crisis in this State resulting from the increased prevalence of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and hereby order as follows:

- 1. The Health Crisis Fund, as established pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-797, is authorized to transfer the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) to the Department of Health Services for use in combating Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever.
- 2. The Department of Health services shall expend all moneys transferred pursuant to this Order on measures to reduce the spread and threat posed by Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever in Arizona and shall report to the Legislature and the Governor by December 31, 2006 on the expenditures of all sums so transferred.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

Janet Napolitano G O V E R N O R

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DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 26th day of June in the Year Two Thousand and Six and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirtieth.

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